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In re Patent Application of:
Joseph Peiris et al.

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For: A NOVEL HUMAN VIRUS CAUSING
SEVERE ACUTE RESPIRATORY
SYNDROME (SARS) AND USES THEREOF

Examiner: M. Mosher

RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Communication dated June 1, 2006, which states that the Applicants' reply filed May 4, 2006 in response to the restriction requirement was not fully responsive.

Upon review, the undersigned has realized that the Applicants' species election was inadvertently omitted from the reply filed on May 4, 2006.

Accordingly, the undersigned hereby submits that Applicants elect, without traverse, Group II (claims 18, 20, 21, 23, 25, 26, 28, 29, 31, 32, 101, 115, 117, 125, 135, 146 and 165) and the entire sequence of SEQ ID NO:15 for examination in this case.

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Respectfully submitted,

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